

Senate Resolution 126

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and celebrating the 104th birthday of Mrs. Dora Hunter Allison Spiva; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dora Hunter Allison Spiva was born in Choestoe, Georgia, on
4 February 10, 1905, the beloved daughter of Martha Souther Hunter and James Hunter; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Spiva stands as a living record of this nation's history as the daughter of
6 a Union Army soldier and the granddaughter of a Confederate Army soldier and having lived
7 through the command of 19 United States presidents; and

8 WHEREAS, this distinguished Georgian was educated in the public schools of Choestoe and
9 Old Liberty before she attended the Collegiate Institute of Blairsville; and

10 WHEREAS, well beloved by her students, Mrs. Spiva taught math and Latin and served as
11 a principal and school counselor; and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Spiva has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for her vital
13 role in the field of education and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the students
14 of Georgia; and

15 WHEREAS, her dedication to molding young minds and challenging students to achieve
16 their utmost potential was recognized by Truett McConnell College, where the school of
17 education has been named in her honor, with graduates receiving a Bachelor of Science in
18 Education from the Dora Hunter Allison Spiva School of Education; and

19 WHEREAS, a devout and faithful woman, Mrs. Spiva has been a member of the Choestoe
20 Baptist Church since childhood and organized the Baptist Women's Missionary Union over
21 75 years ago; and

22 WHEREAS, a charter member of the Blairsville Garden Club and the Union County Retired
23 Teachers' Association, Mrs. Spiva is a woman of great kindness and generosity who is
24 considerate, helpful, and giving; and

25 WHEREAS, this benevolent and honorable gentlewoman has given inspiration to many
26 through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens and she possesses
27 the vast wisdom which only comes through experience and the strength of character which
28 is achieved through overcoming the many challenges of life; and it is only fitting and proper
29 that she be appropriately recognized on this very special and remarkable day in her life.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 congratulate Mrs. Dora Hunter Allison Spiva on the wonderful occasion of her 104th
32 birthday and commended for her 104 years of caring devotion to her family and fellow
33 citizens.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Dora Hunter Allison Spiva.